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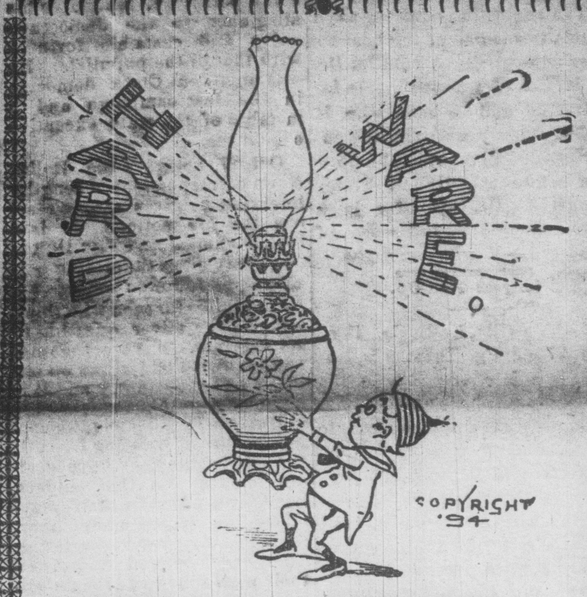

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Read Election Instructions From

STATE CHAIRMAN ASHBY.

Headquarters People's Party
Fort Worth, Texas.
October 9, 1894.

Your attention is called to the following provisions of our election law:

1st. Voters are required to vote in the election precinct in which they reside at the time of the election, and they must have resided in the state twelve months next preceding the election and at least six months in the county or district in which they offer to vote. No definite period of residence is required in the election precinct—a days residence is sufficient if accompanied by the intention to remain permanently therein.

2nd. When the right of a voter to vote is challenged, he may, unless seeking to vote in a city of 10,000 population or more, under the law, establish such right by his own oath taken before the managers of the election, and when he does so establish his right the managers are required to receive his vote.

3d. The law makes it the duty of the presiding officer of the election to appoint two judges and two clerks, to be selected from the different political parties as far as practicable if demanded. In precincts having more than one hundred voters in the last preceding election he is required to select three judges and four clerks, to be selected from the different political parties so far as practicable, if demanded. These appointments by the presiding officer may be made either before or on the day of the election, and I suggest that a formal demand in writing be made at once on the presiding officer for the appointment of one manager or judge from the ranks of the people's party This demand should be renewed in writing on the day of the election and before the polls are opened. It is of vital importance that our people be represented on the board of managers of every voting precinct in the state.

4th. If no presiding officer has been appointed for any precinct, or the one should fail to attend on the day of election, or refuse or fail to act, the voters present at the precinct voting place may appoint a presiding officer. A presiding officer so appointed has all the power and is required to discharge all the duties imposed by law on presiding officers appointed by the commissioner's courts, including that of appointing Judges and clerks of election.

5th. The presiding officer administers the oath of office to each judge and clerk, and one of the judges is required to administer the oath to the presiding officer, as provided by Title 34. Chap. 2, Articles 1674 and 1675 of the Revised Civil Statutes.

6th. The ballot may be either written or printed, or written in part, or printed in part; but it must be of plain white foolscap paper, and the writing or printing must be in black ink or pencil.

7th. Nothing can appear on the ballot but the names of the candidates and the offices to be filled, and the name of the political party whose candidates named on the ticket. Be careful that no mark, picture or device of any kind is placed on the ballot. See that nothing of the kind appears on the face of the ticket, or is concealed by any folding of the ticket. Look well to this.

8th. Do not paste the name of a candidate over that of any other candidate on the ticket, and be careful that no two ballots are folded together when cast.

9th. When a ballot is handed to a manager or judge, the law requires that each of the clerks shall write and number the name of the voter, and that the judge receiving the ballot shall write upon it the voter's number corresponding with the number on the clerks list. See that this is done in every case.

10th. The law provides, that any political party may select a representative man as a witness of the counting Do not fail, therefore, to have a good reliable member of our party to witness the count. This is all important.

11th. It is suggested, that each of our voters mak out his ballot in duplicate, depositing one and reserving the other for use in case of contest.

12th. Referring again to the question of residece, you will bear in mind that all changes of resident do not disfranchise voters. Where a voter removes from one voting precinct to another in the same county, he can legally vote for all state and county officers, provided he has resided in the county six months and in the state twelve months. Where he removes from one county to another in in the same representative, senatorial or congressional district, he may vote for all state officers, and officers in the district in which he resides. It will be seen that to entitle one to vote for county officers he must in addition to twelve months' residence in the state have resided in the county for 6 months next preceding the election. The same rule prevails with voting for district officers, i, e., the voter must have resided in the district for six months before the election. Where, therefore, one has removed from one district to another within less than six months before the election, he will not be entitled to vote at all.

I would earnestly request you to see that the proper election ticket in your county is prepared in conformity with the statute, Article 1694, Sayles' Civil Statutes, note 1687, R. S. of Texas. The ticket should be headed: "People's Party Ticket." Then the names of Peoples Party nominees for state offices should follow, commencing with the governor, then the congressman, then the senator and all district officers, then floater, then the names of all the People's Party nominees for county offices, including precinct offices, then let the names of the candidates be followed with:

"For the amendment to section, 51 article 3, of the constitution of the state of Texas.

"Against the amendment to section 51, article 3, of the constitution of the state of Texas.

"For the election of railroad commissioners.

"Against the election of railroad commissioners.

The following is a correct list of our state candidates.

For Governor.
Thomas L. Nugent.
Liutenant Governor,
Marion Martin.
Attorney General,
R. V. Bell.
Treasurer,
Henry E. McCulloch.
Com. General Land Office,
S C Granberry.
Comptroller,
E. O. Meitzen.
Sup't. of Public Instruction,
E. P. Alsbury.
Chief Justice of the supreme court,
E L. Dohoney.

I think it unnecessary to warn you against campaign lies, they will be told all over the state, pay no attention to them. For instance, last campaign it was told by democratic speakers that Gen. J. B. Weaver was a thief during the war and tried to prove it, this year the democrats of the 9th districts in the state of Iowa have nominated Gen. J. B. Weaver for congress, thus you see that campaign lies are unreliable.

This is the last letter I will have the opportunity to write you, be sure that you have good fearless men at each voting place. On day of election see that there is no intimdation of voters and be sure to have your judges on the election board as stated above.

Yours for success,
H. S P. ASHBY,
Chairman State Ex. Com.

Men, who have been lifelong democrats, say they will stay at home or vote the populist ticket if Cleveland's influence is to dominate Texas democracy.—John H. Reagan, before the Dallas convention.

After three months of married life Solomon Baldwin murdered his wife and blew his own brains out at Hannibal, Mo., on the 22d ult.

A. W. Bailey and the Indian Appropriation.

To The Signal:

The Indian appropriation bill passed at the last session of congress was the open violation of the constitution of the United States that has been known for many years. The bill was a very large one, and disposed of a large sum of money—much of it properly—to keep legitimate contracts made with various tribes of Indians within our jurisdiction.

The matter to which I refer more particularly is the appropriation of large sums of money to Catholic Indian schools which are nothing less than sectarian in every respect.

Here are a few of them;

To St. Boniface, Bauning, Col., $12,500.

Holy Family, Blackfeet, $12,500.

St. John's, Colliegeville, Min, $10,000.

St. Benedict, Sterns county, Min., $10.000.

St. Paul's, Clontarf, Minn., $10,000.

St. Ignytius, Jucko, Mont., $45,000.

St. Joseph, Rensellaer, Ind., $8,500.

Kate Drixel, Umatilla, Ore., $6,500.

In addition to the above amounts the commissioners of Indian affairs makes contracts with agents of Parocial schools and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1895, the whole amount asked for by Roman Catholics for their schools is from $300,000 to $400,000 to be distributed amongst about forty-five schools.

While the bill was up in the House of Representatives, Mr. Linton of Michigan made a speech in opposition to the appropriation of public money for sectarian purposes. This speech called out Mr. Weadcock, also of Michigan. The debate waxed warm and created much interest, Mr. Weadcock being loudly applauded by the democrats. Finally on motion of Mr. Cannon of Ill., to "refer the bill back to the committee, with instructions to strike out all that portion of it which made appropriations to sectarian schools, and as soon as possible put the schools under the management of the government in the same line as common schools," the speaker ruled this motion out of order. An appeal was taken from the decision of the chair which resulted—yeas (to sustain Speaking), 158; nays (those opposed to Speakers ruling), 58. Not voting 135.

One of the gentlemen voting yea and in favor of appropriating public money for sectarian purposes was J. W. Bailey and he now asks the voters of this district to return him to congress on a record like this.—Gainesville Signal.

Democratic Methods.

"The Argus is informed that the tender-feet, carpet bagger populist candidate for congress Browder, was notified a few days ago to vacate the parsonage of the Christian church at Gainesville. It is said when the fraud received the notice he poured forth his vials of wrath on the people of his denomination indiscriminately. He has been occupying the parsonage ever since he was fired as pastor of the church without rental and no doubt he thinks the brethren ought to furnish him with a home while he makes a political campaign."

The above clipped from last issue of Nocona Argus shows the unscrupulous methods of the democratic party to elect their man. The Signal interviewed several leading members of the church and every one pronounced the above a lie and not one word of truth in it. He never was notified to vacate and never was fired, and Mr. Browder never uttered a complaint against his church. The editor may have been misinformed, if not, he is guilty of a base slander.—Gainesville Signal.

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Hickman Items.

Hickman, Texas, Oct. 23, '94.
Editor Democrat:

Fine weather for cotton picking this fall.

The people have deserted us and are off taking in the Dallas fair and the McKinney show; but the bystander cannot go unless he could get a ticket on credit. There is to be a show at Farmersville on the 6th of November and we think we will go to that if we have to walk.

The democrats are so busy around here we don't think they will have time to attend.

On the 15th inst. the Hickman gin was consumed by fire.

All the cotton that was in the house was destroyed, amounting to eight or nine bales. By hard work the bales that were on the yard were saved. There is some insurance on the property but will not cover the loss.

Health is improving to some extent but still some sickness.

We are glad to learn that Don Horton who has been quite sick is able to be up again.

Mr. McDaniel who has been very sick and also his brother, are improving.

Miss Sarah McCallan is very sick at this writing.

Jess Smith's son was snake bitten last Friday but is improving.

The Methodist quarterly conference was held at this place on Saturday last.

The Freewill Baptists are holding a protracted meeting at this time.

Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Young, daughters of T. A. Bailey have been visiting their parents for the last few days.

There will be a rally of the "club" at Hickman school house on next Saturday night

BYSTANDER.

If you can't stand on it (the platform) get down under it like a yellow dog and follow in the train of some one that can drive.—J. S. Hogg, after the Dallas convention.

The Georgia Election.

The result of the late state election in Georgia is one of the things that is hard to find out. The state board, composed of the governer, secretary of state and some other state officer, began the examination of the returns last Monday a week. They went far enough to discover that there was no glory in the returns for the democrats, so they dumped the returns back in the iron safe and adjourned indefinitely. The governor went off to attend a Baptist convention and the secretary of state went fishing. The returns will probably not be passed upon by the state board until after the November election.—Southern Mercury.

The craven coward who allows himself to be led to the polls by a few county bosses and whipped into voting against his own interests merits nothing better than the lot of a slave, but his family is to be pitied for the life they must lead which the husband and father sanctions by his ballot. —Missouri World.

We demand that the untaxed notes of state or national banks shall be the only paper money, and that the government shall, with the development of a banking system adequate to the demands of trade, retire as rapidly as possible all its legel tender money.—(Dem. State Convention, Boston, Mass., Oct. 8, 1894.)

A fearful plague of diphtheria is raging in southern Illinois.

The demmys in New York like the demmys in Texas are divided among themselves.

Investigation of the corrupt New York police frauds still goes on.

The Dallas state fair is a hummer this year.

THE tariff bill is a miserable makeshift - Courier Journal.

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J. T. Branch and John Doyle are the people's party candidates for the legislature.

Vote for a change in our county government. Let's have an investigation of the books.

A VOTE for the ringtail democratic candidates in this county is a ballot for chronic office seekers and bossism.

No doubt Judge Abernathy would make a fairly good priyate citizen. Give him one chance in life any how.

Democrats in Texas are putting forth desperate offorts to keep any but the ringtails from examining the books.

Such men as L L. Miller, John Y. Bowen and W. W. Chapman are not life long pensioners at the public crib They are farmers.

Nugent refused to remain longer in the corrupt democratic party, even though the fat office of supreme judge was within his grasp.

THE 3d inst will be a gala day for Fannin county populists at Bonham. Everybody attend and hear Judge Nugent and Sump Ashby for the laboring people.

☞My friend why do you damn the millionaires, monopolists, trusts, combines and syndicates and then vote the ticket which sustains them? Seems to us your "cussing" would be a little more consistent if you voted against instead of what you cuss.

Some people think that a preacher ought to get rich on $1000 a year. These same people, many of them members of the church, think that their congressman can barely live on $5000 a year. They vote the latter $100 a month clerk hire in addition to his $5000 Why? Simply to furnish him with a letter writer. Half the preachers, I dare say, write more letters to "the dear people" annually than their congressmen do. Why not hire the preacher's wife and pay her $100 a month to answer her husband's letters?—Christian Advocate.

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Bailey says the Wilson bill did'nt reduce the duty on any thing only the necessaries of life, the Wilson bill reduces the duty on brandy from $2:50 to 80 cents therefore brandy according to Bailey's logic is a necessity of life.

Bailey had a great deal to say about the price of bagging and ties being reduced. It is a fact that cotton bagging and ties are higher this season than last season, so we are informed by gin men and farmers.—McKinney Democrat.

The same over in Fannin county, Bro. Thompson. But this is one of Bailey's main reasons for going back to congress and to retain the democratic party in power.—Bonham Review.

THE complete returns from the Georgia election show that instead of a light vote as some of the newspapers and statesmen have been claiming, the vote was 6000 larger than in 1892 and actuall the largest in the history of the state. Yet the democratic majority was only about 20,000.—Memphis Commercial Appeal, (Dem.)

A gold bug writer attempts to show that farmers can raise 5 cent cotton by reducing the cost of production—work day and night, have the children to work harder and longer, reduce the expenses of clothing, eating etc. Such argument is enough to cause the devil to blush.—McKINNEY DEMOCRAT.

Yes, but the dirty hulks of plutocracy are meaner than Benedict Arnold or Judas Iscariot. Benedict Arnold sold his country and then left it, Judas sold his master and then hanged himself, but the gold bug agents will sell their country and then have the effrontery to ask the people to support them.—Bonham Review.

So much for democratic economy on bills for retrenchment But besides these, democrats and republicans introduced 1 300 appropriation bills in the 52nd and 53rd congresses calling for, in the aggregate, $6,842,125,550, every dollar of this enormous amount, (nearly $7,000,000,000) would have to be taxed from the people to build public buildings, clean out creeks and rivers and pay claims of various kinds. Let us recapitulate and see how the two old parties compare with the populists when it comes to introducing bills:

Dem. and Rep. 1,300 bills,	$ 6,842,125 550
Palmer Senate Bill No. 1917	38,685 908 904
Morgan's Bill	100,000 000
Livingston's Bill	28,534 000 000
Miller's Bill	27,466 000,000
Olney's Pacific Ry. Bill	120,000,000
Dem. and Rep. Total	101,748,034 454
Populist Bills	35 000 000 000
Dem. and Rep. Excess	66,748,034 454

"Thou art weighed and found wanting."

There are pension democrats, anti pension democrats, high tariff democrats, low tariff democrats, tariff for revenue only democrats, free trade democrats, single tax democrats, absolute free silver democrats, 16 to 1 democrats, gold bug democrats, state bank democrats, anti-state bank democrats, national bank democrats, government ownership of railroads democrats, anti-government ownership of railroads democrats, commission democrats, anti-commission democrats, states' rights democrats, anti-states' rights democrats, Tammany democrats, anti Tammany democrats, Cleveland democrats, anti-Cleveland democrats Hogg democrats, Clark democrats, independent democrats, and ring tail democrats. What a grand (?) old structure is the democratic party! It's liberal! Its platform is broad and elastic! Jump on, it'll stretch! If it doesn't suit it'll expand to fit! No, no! it may bend double, twist, and coil, but can never break! It is firm as the rock of ages and subtle as ether! It is ductile, malleable and tenaceous. It exists without occupying space! It is indestructable! It was, it is, it will! It wasn't, it "aint," it won't! It's without ancestors or posterity! Without beginning or end! It's Alpha and Omega! and don't you forget it, Bud, and vote 'er straight next Tuesday or you'll be hoo-dooed.

LAND SWINDLING.

IS JUDGE SHERRELL INNOCENT?

Some Interesting Reading.

The Houston Post of March 16, 1894, reproduces a lengthy article from the New Orleans Picayune, which seems to present to the public some startling development in a huge land swindle, which involved 1280 acres of land in the east part of Collin county and west part of Hunt county, and several innocent parties who occupy the land. The story is to the effect that the land belonged to a German by the name of Peter Hilt, who died of yellow fever in New Orleans about the year 1850. There were no heirs apparently to lay claim to the estate. It seems that one J. B. Jenkins of Greenville, went to New Orleans to "hunt up an heir" to this valuable tract of land.

He found a man and wife named O'Connor, who seems to bear a questionable character and, who were easily persuaded to become "heirs."

The Picayune reporter after giving a history of the various parties submits a statement of Mike O'Connor as follows:

"I told my wife at the time that if she signed them papers she would get into trouble."

"You did, eh? You signed them, too, did you not, Mike?"

"Yes, but they fooled me into it. I was afraid and told my wife we'd hear of it."

"But you signed the affidavit?"

"Well, I didn't know how much it was. Since my wife has treated me so mean I am going to give the whole thing away. It's a fraud. My wife was no heir of Peter Hilt's and she knowed it. I'll get even with her and old Mrs. Duke."

"Who is Mrs. Duke?"

"She lives in St. Patrick's graveyard No. 3 and takes in washing. She agged my wife on to leaving me. She has got my two children and wont give them up. But I'll get even with all of them."

When did you first know that your wife was an heir?"

"I'll tell you. In November, 1891, I was approached by a man named Baston who said that Mr. Irl, the cabinet maker at 11 Rampart street, wanted to see me. Irl introduced me to J. B. Jenkins, of Hunt county, Texas. We all went into a barroom on Rampart street and took two drinks. Jenkins said he was sent by J. S. Sherrell of Greenville, Texas. He said: "Mr. O'Connor, your wife is the only heir to valuable lands in Texas. Mr. Sherrill has made the discovery, and wants you to give him the power of attorney to sell them for you. I was surprised. I didn't know what to think at first. He said my wife was a granddaughter and only heir of Peter Hilt, who left the lands. When I got home my wife met me and said: 'I have good news for you.' I asked: 'What is it?' and she said she was going to be rich; that she was the heir to lands in Texas. Jenkins had a paper written out giving the power of attorney to dispose of the lands to J. S. Sherrill of Greenville. Me and my wife went before Aleix, the notary on Gravier street, and signed the affidavit. An affidavit was also made out for Mrs. Duke and she signed it. It showed that Mrs. Duke nursed my wife when she was a baby in New Orleans, and that she knew Peter Hilt and his daughter, my wife's mother. She swore that my wife was the only heir of Peter Hilt, and that all her people had died of yellow fever. The affidavit confering the power of attorney was taken away by Jenkins, who had brought it from Texas. Jenkins said Sherrill could give as reference John I. Adams and the Union National bank. A short time afterwards my wife received some money for land sold, and it was sent in care of Irl, 111 South Rampart street.

Last August my wife and I had a scrap, and we have been living apart ever since. I cut her when I was drunk and had to lay in the parish prison for it, but I was not to blame. My wife would never come back to me, but went to work in Wenger's beer hall, where she is now known as Dolly Welch. I have been laying up to expose the whole thing and get even with her. She knew that the affidavit was false."

Mike said Jenkins was in New Orleans a week, and that Jenkins saw his wife before he saw him, and that he sent two written statements to be given to Mrs. O'Connor [illegible] Duke to memorize, so that if ever any trouble came about they could not be wound up by cross examination as to the dates, etc., of Peter Hilt's daughter and herself, their births, deaths, etc.

Mike some time ago wrote a letter to a lawyer in Greenville, Texas, telling him about how Sherrill was selling the lands and all about his wife being induced to become the heir, so that the power of attorney could be conferred on Sherrill. The reply from the Texas lawyer stated that if what Mike told him was true there had been a swindle for which honest people were suffering.

The reporter then hunted up Mrs. O'Connor, who went by the name of Dolly Welch. He found her in a questionable house where the following interview took place:

"Did anyone ever come to you and ask you if you would not be an heir to some land in Texas, and if you would not sign an affidavit conferring the power of attorney to some lawyers in Greenville, Texas?"

"Yes; J. B Jenkins of Texas came to me and said he wanted to be the heir to some land. I asked him how he was going to fit it up when I was not really the heir. He said to leave that with him, and I did so. He had something written out about me being the granddaughter of Peter Hilt of New Orleans and something about power of attorney and a man named Sherrill of Greenville, Texas. My husband and I went to Aleix and signed the affidavits. Did my husband say he didn't know it was a fraud?"

"He said something to that effect."

"I knew he would say that, but he is mad because he did not get all the money. He thinks he will make something out of this, but he is as deep into it as anyone. He knew I was no heir of Peter Hilt. I ought to have let him gone to the penitentiary. I was a fool for not doing it. It would have served him right. I did not want to sign any papers or anything, but he made me do so.

"Jenkins left Mrs. Duke and I copies of something he wanted us to memorize. It was about Hilt and his people. We were to learn it so if anyone questioned us about the heirship we would not get tangled up."

The reporter secured the original copy of this document furnished to Mrs. O'Connor. It reads as follows:

"Peter Hilt died in New Orleans in the summer of 1850 of yellow fever. His wife died a few years after her husband. A son, Peter Hilt, Jr., died about the same as the mother, or a few days afterwards. Olive Hilt, daughter of Peter Hilt, was born April 14, 1846, and was a little more than 4 years old when her parents died. She went to Cincinnati and lived there with relatives until her marriage to Robert Welch, —, 1863. The first child of the marriage was a girl, born in 1866; died in infancy; second was a boy born in 1868; died in infancy. Maud, the third child, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on June 17, 1872. Maud married Michael O'Connor in New Orleans, La., July 21, 1891. Olive Welch, mother of Maud, died in Cincinnati July 13, 1874. Maud, then two years old, was cared for by her father until he disappeared some six or seven years ago. He is supposed to be dead. Maud lived with friends until she came with friends to New Orleans, about 188—, where she remained until she married, and where she has since resided. Peter Hilt lived in Texas some time between 1835 and 1845."

"You and Mrs. Duke memorized it, I suppose?"

"No, we didn't. Jenkins stayed here a week afterward, and he and my husband got angry with us for not learning it. My husband drew a pistol on me at Mrs. Duke's house and threatened to kill me. He shot at me afterwards at his mother's house."

"An affidavit was prepared for Mrs. Duke to sign; what was it about?"

"A notary public came to Mrs. Duke's house with a paper. It was sworn to by Mrs. Duke, and showed that she had nursed me when I was a child. She had been in the epidemic and knew when the Hilts died. Mrs. Duke washes in St. Patrick's graveyard and boards and takes care of my children. The affidavit I don't think was read to her, but she sighed it. Jenkins or my husband, one or the other, I think told her that it was about nursing me when I was a child, and about my supposed parents, the Hilts."

"Your husband never showed any desire to give matters away until after you were parted?"

"The money stopped coming, and I left him and quit giving him what I made, and he has determined since he can't get any more out of it, to give the scheme away. Before we parted he would try to get me to go to Joe and borrow money, but I would not do it, because he would always take it and get drunk and then come home and give me a beating. I am working now to pay debts he made before we separated. He was so mean to me."

Dolly burst into tears, laying her head upon the table as she wept.

"I saved him from the penitentiary, furnished him money he was broke and have supported and clothed my two children. Yet he has beaten me and tried to kill me. Oh, had I never got into this! I oughtn't to have left home. I did wrong. My God! this miserable business of a beer woman! What will I do? I'd rather be dead. My children, my children!"

She dried her eyes with her apron and after a few moments of silence said in answer to a question that she and her husband had received about $200 from Sherrill. Mike had drank it up for her, she said. Mike wrote to Sherrill several times for money. He wrote to Mike saying he had sent me money for land sold, but he wrote to me from the legislature at Austin that he had advanced the money from his own pocket, regardless of the land. All the money he ever sent, except once or twice, was in care of Irl. * * * *

It was Saturday night that the reporter left for Greenville, Texas, the county seat of Hunt county, and the home of Mr. Sherrill. To reach Greenville it was necessary to go sixty miles beyond Dallas.

The reporter of the Picayune took an early start to the court house, and soon found himself in the county clerk's office, amidst piles of books and records.

The first thing found was a copy of the affidavit, giving Sherrill the power of attorney to sell the lands. It read as follows:

"Page 179, deed book No. 72, Hunt county, Texas—City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana: I, Maud O'Connor, joined by my husband, M. O'Connor, have made, constituted and appointed, and do by these presents make and constitute and designate J. S. Sherrill of Hunt county, Texas, our true and lawful representative, in fact, for us and in our name, place and stead, to sell by good and self sufficient warranty deed or deeds all or any port of the following described land, to-wit: 1280 acres, surveyed in the name of James Boyle, by virtue of bounty warrant No. 8044, issued to him on the 23d day of February, 1839, and patented to him on the 24th day of November by patent No. 57, volume 3, and is situated on the waters of Pilot Grove creek, partly in Hunt and partly in Collin county, Texas, about fifteen miles from Greenville, said land having been inherited by me, Maud O'Connor, from my grandfather, Peter Hilt, and I am the sole surviving heir, and do hereby constitute and appoint J. S. Sherrill to sue and convey under the power herein granted for us and in our name, place and stead, any and all other lands owned by said Peter Hilt in the State of Texas, and the said J. S. Sherrill is hereby authorize to issue warranty deeds conveying the land and is authorized to sell it in bulk or in such quantities as he may see fit and proper, and on such prices as he may see fit to receive and receipt for all lands sold, or any part thereof, and to execute receipts, releases and acquittances as may be necessary in the premises, and in general do and perform any and all acts necessary in the sale of the lands, and to collect money for the same as we could do. He is authorized to institute and prosecute to judgment any suits in any court having jurisdiction and as such may be necessary for the recovery of the land, and to compromise with adverse claimants on terms he may see proper.

Witness our hand this the 18th day of October, 1892.

MAUD AND M. O'CONNOR."

The following is F. J. Aleix's acknowledgment:

State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans: Before me, the undersigned authority, this day personally appeared, M. O'Connor and Maud O'Connor, his wife, who are known to be the persons whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the considerations and purposes expressed, and the said Maud O'Connor having been examined privately and apart from her husband, and having the same fully explained to her by me, she declared that she willingly signed her name for the purpose expressed, and that she wished not to retract it. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my seal and hand, and fixed my seal, at my office, on this the 18th day of October, 1892.

F. J. ALEIX,
Notary Public.

Filed for record November 14, 1892.
E. W. HARRISON,
Clerk of Hunt County, Texas.

Deed book No. 71 of Hunt county shows where J. S. Sherrill sold to R. L. Watson 110 acres of the tract for $1100. The conveyance is shown to have been made through M. and Maud O'Conner, through Sherrill.

Page 150 shows where eleven acres were sold to G. H. Sumrow for $55. Sumrow held a tax title, and it was announced by Mr. Sherrill, or it was given out to the occupants of the land holding tax titles, that if they would pay $5 per acre for a title from M. and Maud O'Conner they would not be sued or otherwise molested.

A disinterested party, speaking without knowing the object of the query, said that the average salable price of the 1280 acres was $30 per acre, making it worth about $38,000. A portion of the land is occupied by eleven people, most of them holding tax titles. These people occupy 658 acres, which is assessed for $12,750 county taxes.

The reporter of the Picayune called on Mr. Sherrill at his office in Greenville. He is a pleasing man who stands well in his community. Approached upon the subject Mr. Sherrill disclaimed any knowledge of the fraud connected with the matter. He was perfectly willing to show the papers, he held, and if there was fraud in it, why, he would have nothing more to do with the matter.

"How much money have you sent the O'Connors in New Orleans?"

"About $200," he replied.

You stated a moment ago, then, Mr. Sherrill that you agreed with them to give them half the money?"

"Yes, sir."

"Then you have only sold $400 worth?"

"I will take down the statement, then, if you have no objections, Mr. Sherrill."

"None," he said, and the reporter put on his note book the statement.

C. C. Candler and E. L. Candler have come into possession of the land that was deeded to R. L. Watson for a consideration of more than $1,000. Having heard from some source or another that the O'Connors were frauds the Candlers employed a lawyer to investigate the case and the right of the O'Connors, and to recover the money from Mr. Sherrill, to whom it had been paid. Earle Braugher is the name of the attorney employed by the Candlers. To a reporter he said that the Candlers had paid Sherrill more than $1,000, which they were going to endeavor to recover, not believing the transaction to be a legitimate one. Mr. Sherrill entered suit against various others of the occupants of the Hilt land, seeking to sell or make them pay $5 per acre for an O'Connor title, whereas, they were then, and are now, occupying the land with tax titles, the land having been sold by the State to them, they themselves taking chances on limitation and the discovery of the real heirs. But Mr. Sherrill has withdrawn the suits.

The reporter asked several people, residents of Greenville, what kind of a man Sherrill was.

"Judge Sherrill," said one, is one of the best men in this community, and everybody likes him and believes in him. He is the superintendent of the Christian Sunday school, ex-county judge, a member of the legislature, and has been mentioned as the successor of Kilgore in congress. Sherrill, why, everybody likes Sherrill."

The reporter of the Picayune inquired of the man Jenkins, who O'Connor said, represented himself as being sent by Sherrill.

"Jenkins," said one gentleman who is a prominent citizen of Greenville, "is a sort of carpenter and land agent, and a great discoverer of heirs He has found nearly a dozen heirs in far off cities since he has been living in this county to lands which were occupied on the strength of tax titles. Jenkins has worked up several such things as finding heirs in connection with Sherrill."

The people who were sued by Sherrill are rather indignant, so the reporter was told by their lawyer and others.

GREAT EXCITEMENT

PRODUCED BY Dr. W. L. THURMAN'S PUBLICITY OF THE FACT THAT

J. W. Bailey Supported the Indian Appropriation Bill, Which Robbed The Treasury of $400,000 Of The People's Money.

BAILEY OUT ON THE STREET IN A FRENZY PRONOUNCING IT "A G—— D—— LIE."

Gainesville, Tex., Oct. 27, '94

Great excitement prevails here in political circles on account of the revelation of the fact that Hon. J. W. Bailey, member of congress from this, the fifth, district voted for and favored the passage of the Indian appropriation bill, which robbed the United States treasury of the sum of $400,000 of the people's money in the interests of the Roman Catholic church. When this news first reached J. W. Bailey he pronounced it "a d—d lie." He made a personal canvass on the streets of Gainesville denying the charge, but to day Judge Thurman received the congressional records and they were at once drawn on Mr. Bailey and his guilt established beyond all disputation. This will unquestionably defeat Mr. Bailey in this district, as democrats will not support a man who votes the people's money away for sectarian purposes. Mr. Bailey denied it as long as he could, but when the records were produced the question was settled and Bailey left the streets and stopped his personal canvas.

This denial taken in connection with his denial of the charge of pulling his knife on Dr Browder at Denison, has reduced his chances of re election by at least twenty-five per cent. In this part of the district Also his statement that the Christian church of Gainesville had forced Dr. Browder out of the pulpit and then out of the parsonage, has damaged him considerably since the members of that church have come to the front and proved Bailey guilty of a willful and malicious falsehood. The leading democrats sorely regret this and many of them will not vote at all for this reason. Populists are highly elated over the dignified canvass made by their candidate. They are wild with enthusiasm.

BROWDER'S CANVASS.

He Travels 138 Miles and Makes Eleven Speeches in Montague County.

Dr. U. M. Browder, the peoples party candidate for congress from this the 5th district, spent last week in Montague county. We had published his appointments previously and were prepared with a good rig. We met him at Nocona and conveyed him to Burlington where he opened his campaign. He spoke to a large audience of voters, also 32 ladies and 28 children. His reception was grand and the speaker's logic made a lasting impression on all.

We returned Monday night to Nocona where we met a large audience. While we had some trouble in securing a house to speak in, the crowd was appreciative. It is just to say in this connection that Mr. Bailey was granted the privilege of speaking in one of the churches but we were refused the privilege. Brother Browder made many friends at this place. We feel that we are indebted to the Leader for its fair mention of the speaker. While the Leader is a democratic paper it deals fairly and does not go into the depths of mud slinging as does the Argus. When papers like the Argus open their mouths you may look for something filthy to "drap," and you will never be mistaken.

We then proceeded to fill the remainder of our appointments in the following order: Bonita, Ringgold, Belcher, Montague, Forestburg, Uz, Sunset, Salona and Bowie. At all of these places large audiences met us and gave us undivided attention. We had no disturbances anywhere. Dr. Browder was greatly impressed with the fact that Montague county has a very fine citizenship.

Our audience at Bowie was large and well behaved, and we feel especially indebted to our home people for this expression of appreciation. The logic of Dr. Browder was too great for Mr. Bailey, and the justness of his cause presented in a brotherly way won many to our cause. The false charges of Mr. Bailey was answered at every place where Mr. Bailey spoke, but where he did not speak, no personalities were introduced.

Takimg this canvas as a whole it was one of the best we ever witnessed. A vote for Dr. U. M. Browder means a vote for principle and a man who is able to boldly advocate the enactment of that principle into law before the United States congress. Dr. Browder is a true man in the full sense of the word.—Bowie Headlight.

LEAVES THE DEMOCRATS.

Mr. Thomas Butler, An Old Settler of This County, Joins the Populists.

Floyd, Tex., Oct. 20.—Editor Texas Independent: Since the last primary election I have been wrapped in mystery, in this way. To see free silver men who declared positively gold bugism should not rule, then voted for gold bug candidates all around. After long and careful study I now will not support the democratic (so called) platform. I will not vote to oppress myself and countrymen if I know it. There is not money enough in Texas to get me to. My greatest joy this day would be to see my countrymen prosper, even if I could not. May God be with you in this great struggle, my smypathy is with you.

THOMAS BUTLER.

AN HONEST AND BRAVE DECLARATION.

We have a democratic administration, president, senate and house of representatives. If the first act of that administration be demonetization of silver, then good-bye democracy; it has lived only too long.—McKinney Enquirer.

Nugent Tied Up.

Stephenville, Erath Co., Tex., Oct, 27.—Judge Thomas L. Nugent is busily engaged in the district court here and will not likely find opportunity to speak much more, if at all, on matters politic. He has been busy all this week, as counsel in the Groesbeck-Crow land case. Trial will probaly consume several days yet. If some of his other clients should go into trial when the present case is concluded he may not get away from here before election day. The judge enjoys a splendid practice here in his old home county. Members of all political faiths are warm personal friends of the great populist leader.

A GANG of politicians are trying to arouse prejudice against the populists of Texas by referring to the late war. They do this in the face of the fact that the populists have the name of a man on their state ticket whose record as a warrior, statesman and citizen is of the purest type. He served the republic of Texas and bravely went to the front in the confederate service. A pioneer of Texas, he has stood by her every interest during her wonderful development. He has served his state in the legislature. He is now a farmer and stockman and a citizen of the first order who would be an honor to any position within the gift of Texans. The man to whom we refer is General Henry E. McCulloch, candidate for state treasurer.

Political Changes.

Alfred Skeels, secretary of the republican league of Colorado, has resigned his position and joined the populists and will work and vote for the success of the ticket from governor down.

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A. M. Flood treasurer of the republican league of Colorado, resigns his position and joins the populists working for principle.

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Judge J. E. Lincoln, one of the best known democrats of Clay county, Mo., and a brother-in-law of Congressman Dockery leaves the democrats and joins the populists. This unexpected action of Judge Lincoln has created great surprise and discomforts democracy very much, as he was considered a veritable leader in their ranks.

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Mr. T. J. Willis, of Wood county, Tex., who has been a democrat for 47 years, has left the party of promises and failures, and joins the populists, and is now working for good government.

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Hon. J. A. Eaton, of Kansas, in a bold and courageous letter to the congressional committees of the 3d congressional district says that he will stump the district for the populists. He says he will not work nor vote for the democratic side show of the republican party as he considers the straight democratic ticket only an aid machine for the republican party in Kansas.

A CALL.

Those that have bought groceries from us during this year your bills are now due, and a prompt settlement of same will be much appreciated.

We know that it is severe work to pay debts with four cent cotton, but we have bought and sold goods with the expectation of an early settlement from you.

Yours very respectfully,
T. J. MELTON & SONS.

Tired of Democracy.

MAJOR BUCK WALTON JOINS THE POPULISTS.

Candidates Who Bolt Platforms Should Not be Supported.

Major Buck Walton, of Austin, Texas, a talented lawyer and a politician, renounces his allegiance to the democratic party and casts his fortunes with that of the populists. He was an ardent Clark democrat in the last campaign and a member of the state executive committee.

Oct. 27 he gave the Dallas News correspondent a lengthy interview he gives strong reasons for his actions. It is a long document and THE DEMOCRAT only gives the closing paragraph as follows:

"It is time for men who think alike on the silver question to act together, to vote together and impress their views on the history of the country and it is no answer to this suggestion to say that all the democratic candidates are advocating free silver. It is true they have zealous mouths on that subject, but they are tied to their platforms which are undeniably, indisputably gold platforms. They have to and do get off their platforms to advocate silver at 16 to 1 of gold, and when they leave the platform on which they were nominated and when they pledged themselves to uphold and support when they accepted the nominations they become and are political vagrants and absolve all platform sustainers and all from supporting them. I want to see meritorious labor have an opportunity to achieve by its industry, frugality and economy, homes, contentment and happiness. Until there shall be a change in the advocacies of the old parties and some manifestation on the part of democracy to return to its old landmarks, low tariff and free silver, I shall vote on all political questions with the populist party, it to-day being the only party that has the candor and honesty to plainly declare what it wants and to boldly uphold and sustain its declarations. I know there are some vagaries advocated by that party but they can be in due time eliminated."

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

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The populist nominees in Collin havn't got fat salaries to support them while they go campaigning. Consequently their canvasses have not been as thorough as their democratic opponents. Remember farmers that they are laboring men who are supporting their wives and babies by honorable toil; most of them are raising 4 1 2 cent cotton like you and are compelled to remain at home to help their families gather this crop which under these democratic times they cannot afford to hire gathered. They are all honorable and esteemed citizens that have never been petted and spoiled at the public crib. They are abundantly capable of administering the duties of the several offices to which they aspire, with credit to themselves and to the very best interest of our county. Give them your most careful consideration when filling out your ticket next Tuesday and you will never have cause to regret it.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Award.

Vote for John Doyle for representative. He's a rising young man of culture and ability, who, if sent to the legislature, will devotedly look after your every interest there and make his presence known and felt among the lawmakers of our state.

T. J. TILSON.—On Monday night, Nov. 5, T. J. Tilson, an honored citizen of Hunt county, will address the people, in interests of the peoples party, at Farmersville. Everybody, irrespective of party affiliations, are cordially invited to hear this entertaining and forcible speaker.

Houston and Texas Central Railway Time Table.

Going North, No. 13 Arrives 5:21 a. m.
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Sherman, Shreveport and Southern.
West Bound arrives.
Passenger Arrives..... 4:25 p. m.
Accommodation Arrives..... 10:50 a. m
East Bound Departs.
Passenger Departs..... 12:09 p. m.
Accoommodation..... 4:55 p. m.

LOCAL NEWS.

On to Balls City.

P. H. Bateman, of Melissa, was in the city Monday.

Vote for Branch and Doyle to represent you in the 24th legislature.

Miss Ella Singleton, of Jefferson, is visiting the family of Joe Cline, in this city.

Mrs. J. M. Holman, of Pittsburg, Tex., is visitng the family of J. C. Wylie in this city.

W. T. Hale is a deserving young man. He will make a splendid sheriff if elected.

Rev. Morris preached an eloquent sermon at the Methodist church Sunday, to a large congregation.

Mrs. W. J. Stokes was relieved of about $12:50 in money by a pickpocket at the fair Saturday.

Misses Mattie McKinney and Millie Thomas, of Upper Rowlett, were in McKinney Saturday.

The oil mill closed Saturday night for a week or two until a market can be found for its products.

Voters, remember you are entitled to vote for two members to the legislature next Tuesday.

Rev. J. M. Robertson D. D., of Jonesboro, Ark., has been called as pastor by the Baptist congregation in McKinney.

Chas. A. Burton, the noted boy preacher, with his mother, has become a citizen of McKinney. He is reading law.

Encouraging accounts for J. T. Branch and John Doyle are constantly coming in from all over the county.

Mr. B. F. White, of the firm McCutcheon & White dry goods, has disposed of his interest here to his partner, Mr. McCutcheon.

Buy you a lot in Balls City while you can get choice. It is the coming place in the Gulf Coast country. Write to E. H. Porter at Galveston, Texas.

Frank Allen went to Fort Worth Monday night with a carload of fine hogs which he had sold to the Ft. Worth Packing company.

Hood's Sarsaparilla, acting through the blood, reaches every part of the system, and in this way positively cures catarrh.

E. C. Forbes is an accomplished penman, and intelligent, genial, business man and will make an ideal county clerk.

Two cotton seed buyers got "tangled" up with each other on the square Monday, but were soon extricated without serious damage to either.

DON'T LET OTHERS

HUMBUG YOU!

IF YOU WANT TO DO ANY TRADING WHEN YOU ARE IN M'KINNEY, GO WHERE YOU CAN GET NICE, NEW GOODS.

—THE—

KENTUCKY STORE.

Has got 'em and they are selling so cheap. You can get a nice all wool suit there from $2.00 to $5.00.

A FINE SUIT FOR

$7.50

Boys' suits from 65c up. Ladies' heavy shoes for 60c. Ladies' button shoes, solid leather, for $1.00. School shoes from 50c up. Men's nice hats for $1.00. Dress Goods from 5c to $1.50 per yd.

See Them Before You Buy!

It will not cost you anything to price their goods.

They Want Your Trade...

The Leaders in Low Prices,

Kentucky Store,

S. E. Corner of Square, McKinney, Texas.

J. B. Rhoden and Jim Martin had a little scrap around at Mr Rhoden's restaurant Monday, during which the former gentleman fired two shots at the latter without effect. Mr. Rhoden gave bond for $500 for his appearance in court and was released.

Charley Noyes discharged the duties of the office of county surveyor once most acceptably to the good people of Collin county. Therefore they intend to elect him again to the same office.

Pursuant to a call by President D. Goodin, the Republican League of Collin county met in their hall in McKinney Saturday night. Several matters of minor importance were transacted, after which the league unanimously agreed that there was no regular republican candidate out in this district for congress, that there hasn't been any regular republican convention for that purpose held in the district, and that Chairman Grant had no authority to appoint a nominee for the party, therefore the committee was authorized to not print Farmer's or any ticket on the regular republican ticket. body else's name

Prompt, courteous attention and low prices are the inducements at the Nickel store.

Balls City.

It seems that the gulf coast is to be the most desirable place for settlers in the great South-West. The city referred to above is attracting much attention. Secretary E. H. Porter, of Galveston, is being overwhelmed with correspondence making enquiry about Balls City and the fertile fruit and vegetable land surrounding it.

Stock is being fast taken up in the Commercial Travelers City Company and the enterprise is moving at a rapid gait. A fine hotel and many beautiful cottages are in course of construction. Farmers are turning their attention to the surrounding country. It is a fact that the climate is delightful and the conditions most favorable for health.

For Sale: A house and lot in McKinney, cheap. Apply at THE DEMOCRAT office.

John Doyle has done valiant service for the populist cause in Collin county. He has not only knocked his opponent, J. L. Greer, out, but has met the best local talent of the opposition and came out victorious in every case. Mr. Doyle is one of the ablest citizens of this county who will serve his people well in the legislature.

The democrats have long been proclaiming to the people that the populists are dying out. Now we find them very badlyscared. They are sending circulars to every nook and corner of Collin county urging democrats to go to the polls and save the party from defeat. In view of these facts all populists are hereby warned to be on their guard. See that your neighbor populists go to the polls early prepared to watch the proceedings on election day. Campaign circulars will be issued a brief time before the election for the purpose of misleading the voters. Don't allow such tricks to deceive you.

Government Reports

ON TESTS OF

Baking Powders.

Analysis by the Chief Chemist of the U. S. Agricultural Dep't proves Dr. Price's to be superior in leavening strength and purity to all other powders.

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JUDGE T. L. NUGENT IS SPEAKING IN THE OPERA HOUSE TO A LARGE NUMBER OF HIS DELUDED FOLLOWERS WHO OUGHT TO BE PICKING COTTON INSTEAD OF LISTENING TO HIS HARANGUE.—McKinney Examiner, Oct. 17, 1894.

The Examiner Heard From.

The "demogogue," "socialistic" and communistic" ogran, the McKinney Examiner, says:

"The McKinney Democrat became offended because we said the farmers had better not lay down their work to hear third party harangues. The suggestion we made, was a wholeseme one, and if followed would redound to the interest of all."

The Examiner continues by refering to the editor of the DEMOCRAT as a socialist, communist, atheist, etc., all of which is a "delusion," hatched in the "brain" of the christian "editor and proprietor" of the Examiner. He refers to our having been raised in Indiana and wonders at what we were employed. For the benefit of our contemporary we can say that since early youth we have been almost incessantly employed in honorable toil in the field and forest and that we have had the pleasure of living seventeen years in Collin county among her good people, ten years of which we spent in the cotton patch. We claim no special merit for the part we have played in past history. We have simply tried to do our duty as thousands of other honest toilers have done. We have been true to every obligation, either in a business or political sense. We have at least tried to act the part of a gentleman. In our article that raised the ire(sh) of our friend we defended the ladies and gentlemen who heard Nugent's speech against the insolent advice of the Examiner for them to pick cotton. And we will ever be found ready in the future to make the same defense. When the Examiner says that we are endeavoring to create "social chaos" it utters what is false, of which it is certainly aware.

The Examiner is reminded that we do not wish to "overthrow everything best and dearest to the American people."

We wish to "overthrow everything" that is a curse to them, among which is the infernal idea that royalty is entitled to all the political privileges while honorable toil must be kept in the "cotton patch,"—in ignorance and want.

Wise Words From Uncle Mike.

Lucas, Texas, Oct. 30, 1894.

Editor Democrat:

Well, the time is drawing close when the candidates will be thinned out to one stalk and I would advise the voters of Collin county to use the same judgment in voting they do in thinning corn, only that you reverse the plan. In thinning corn we take out the least stalk and give the large one a chance, but in this question you want to take out the fat stalk and give the weak one an opportunity to develop, and if they don't produce better corn than the old stalk has done heretofore the country is is ruined forever. Say, do you remember two years ago when Cleveland was elected and cotton made a little advance, how the democrats harped and blowed over the election? But now if you will listen on the sly you can hear them say that we pops are fools enough to believe that the democrats, being in power, have something to do with 4 cent cotton.

What profound logicians! I put this question to their wise men. If the mere election of a democratic administration and that four months before they take their seats raises the price of cotton one cent on the pound how much ought they to raise it in twenty months? I can put my finger on democrats every day who said two years ago that they would not vote another democratic ticket if the democrats didn't enact some measure for relief of the finance question. They should remember this before they vote and I would advise them to read us a Bible lesson next Sunday morning, Num. 30:2; Acts 5:1-6. I do not call their attention to this simply for political gain but for the purpose of calling their minds to the importance of observing the truth in politics as well as otherwise.

After the battle is over and the smoke has cleared away you may hear from me, provided I am not lost with the salt river crew.

UNCLE MIKE.

To the Voters of Collin County.

GENTLEMEN:—Having been honored with the nomination for county judge by the people's party of Collin county and being prevented from making a personal canvass of the county by sickness of myself and family, I deem it my duty to state to you a few things which I think the duty of a county judge. Indeed, I do not think a judge should be a partisan or make a partisan canvass before the people, for the reason that he is called upon to transact business and decide questions for all the people with the least possible bias for or against any party. I believe the judge should not receive a fixed salary from the tax payers while the law gives him reasonable fees for his work. Those who resort to the law and its processes for the adjustment of their affairs should pay for this service and not tax it on others.

The salaries of our county officials are out of proportion with the income from the labor of the tax payers.

The $1800 paid our county judge is equivalent to about 80 bales of cotton or the equal of about ten average farmers.

The $300 exofficio paid to some of our county officers is about equal to thirteen bales of cotton which is more than the average farmer makes and which is only one item of the officers pay.

I would favor the payment of such exofficio salaries, only, as are compelled by statute.

Attorney General Culberson, now running for governor says our county officials are paid too much money—some of them receiving more than the governor and, in justice should be reduced.

Should I be honored by election to the office of county judge I would favor the use of native oak plank instead of imported pine plank in the construction of public bridges; thus saving, I believe, at least one-half the expense, since observation and experience shows that one good oak 2-inch plank will last equal to several of the imported 1 1-2 inch pine planks. The additional advantage of keeping our money at home would be had.

My knowledge of the laws of Texas and my four year's experience as magistrate in the Farmersville district warrants me in assuring the public of my ability to execute the functions of the honorable office to which I aspire.

L. L. MILLER

Farmersville, Tex., Oct. 30, '94.

Monday evening while Mrs. Holton, 74 years of age, was making soap at her home on the old Geo. A. Wilson homestead, her clothing caught fire, horribly burning her. She died that night at 9 o'clock, in great agony.

Will Cloyd, ex-postal clerk in the McKinney post office, came up Tuesday from the Ft. Worth Commercial school, and remained a day with his parents and numerous friends here.

The populists of commissioners' precint, No. 4, met in Plano, Saturday, Oct. 27, and nominated W. F. Bedell for commissiner. J. W. Chappell was nominated for constable, justice precinct, No. 5.

HAND THIS ISSUE OF THE DEMOCRAT TO YOUR NEIGHBOR WHO DOES NOT RECEIVE IT. REMEMBER, THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE BEFORE THE ELECTON.

The democratic campaign committee is preparing for a "grand" rally Monday night. A colored brass band has been employed to furnish music and is quartered in the opera house for practice. Why not pick cotton?

Walter Kinsolving, a talented typo, who worked on this paper several years ago, arrived in the city Saturday on a visit, and is with us this week helping us out of the rush. Walter has been over California, Arizona and New Mexico since his residence here. He was accompanied by his brother, O. C. Kinsolving, of Decatur, Texas, who returned home Monday.

Voters will note that in printing the populist county ticket the populist campaign committee had the names of democratic candidates inserted where there were no nominees made by their party and were no independent candidates for said offices. So when you come to the offices of district trict judge, county attorney and tax collector you can scratch out the names of the democratic candidates and write names of your own choice or leave blank if you choose. Also remember to vote for TWO associate justices of supreme court and THREE judges of criminal court of appeals and TWO representatives—Doyle and Branch.

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A FACT—Tommy Jones is the cheapest groceryman north of the equator.

Sally M. Key has returned to Altoga from a most delightful visit to relatives and friends in the old states.

Henry Jennings, (col.) died last night in McKinney, Parson Jennings, as he was familiarly called by his people, was an old citizen of Collin county. He was honorable and upright in all the walks of life. He held to religious and political principles with a devotion to be admired. He could not be bribed from the path of duty by enemies of justice, honor, his race and country. He will long be remembered by those who knew him, both white and black.

Look out for our rooster next week.

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Bethany Alliance meets First and Third Saturday nights in each month.
President, S M. Hart,
Secretary, Mrs. E C Forbes.

Josephine meets Saturday night before 2nd and 4th Sunday in each month.
B. F. IVY, Pres., Josephine, Tex.
C. C. CARLISLE, Josephine, Tex.

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J. W. YOUNGER, Pres.
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Nevada, Tex.

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W. T. HALE, Sec'y,
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R. A. Bailey, Sec'y.
McKinney, Tex.

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SALLIE STROUP, Sec'y. " "

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W. S. COX, Pres., Copeville, Tex.
W. T. Thompson, Sec., " "

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Parker, Tex.

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J. W. Morris, Pres.
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J A Spaugn, Sec'y, Farmersville.

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G. M. D. Williams, Pres.
J. H. Painter, Sec'y.
McKinney, Tex.

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W. B. Harden, Pres., McKinney, Tex.
C. B. Kindell, Sec'y., McKinney, Tex.

Each Secretary of Sub-Alliances should send in names of officers and time of meeting and have them recorded. Ed.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN.

Services every Sabbath at 11 o'clock a. m. and at 8 p. m. Rev. J H Wofford, pastor. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. J. H. Sneed, superintendent.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Services every Sabbath at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Rev. G. A. Russell pastor. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

METHODIST.

Services every Sabbath at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:15 p. m.. Rev. Morris pastor. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9:45 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30.

CHRISTIAN.

Preaching every Sabbath morning at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Elder Terrell pastor. Sunday school every Sabbath to 9:30 a. m. P. Harris, superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30.

BAPTIST.

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Masonic Directory.

St. John's Lodge No. 51, A. F. & A. M. meets the 4th Saturday night in each month. E. H BOWLBY, W. M.
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W. M. BAGLEY, Secy.

McKinney Order Eastern Star Chapter No. 61 meets the 2nd Tuesday night in each month at Masonic hall.
Mrs. M. E. WILEY, Worthy Matron.
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J C Moore,	Treas.
J L Todd,	Sec'y.

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M. G. Abernathy,	County Judge.
T. F. Mangum,	County Attorney.
J. W. Waddill,	County Clerk.
J. L. Moulden,	Sheriff.
John W. McKinney,	Tax Collector.
R. S. Chandler,	Tax Assessor.
W. H. Taylor,	County Treasurer.
S. P. Clardy,	County Surveyor.

Calendar of District, County and Commissioners Court of Collin County.

DISTRICT COURT: Hon. J. E. Dillard Judge.
Court convenes 1st Mondays in January and June of each year.
COUNTY COURT: M. G. Abernathy, Judge.
Court convenes for civil, criminial and probate business. 1st Monday in March; 3rd Monday in May; 4th Monday in July; 2nd Monday in Oct. and 2nd Monday in December of each year.
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The populists think by delving into Hon. J. W. Bailey's private life as a financier to offset Browder's false affidavits This won't work. The people know the difference between private transactions and a perjurer.—Van Alstyne News.

In admitting the crookedness and rottenness in J. W. Bailey's unsavory record the News attempts to besmirch the fair name of Dr. Browder by calling him a PERJURER. If Dr. Browder is a perjurer and the News and Bailey know it, why don't they publish the proof thereof so the people can judge for them selves. If it is a fact the laws are very deficient if such felons are allowed to run scott free; yes, not only permitted to run free, but allowed to pose before the sovereigns of this great country as a candidate for a popular office—a candidate whose presence in the political arena is heralded with such favor as to drive his opponent to the direst straits of utter desperation. No, the News nor Bailey, neither one has the slightest particle of evidence derogatory to the good name of Dr. Browder. On the contrary they know in church and social life his character is unimpeachable as the failure of one after another of their dirty, scheming intrigues to entrap him proves. The populist papers throughout the district have published open and above board all the charges preferred against J. W. Bailey by his opponent and the people are given court records and sworn affidavits to substantiate these charges. Wild assertions and sweeping denials by Bailey at this late hour in the campaign unsupported by proper evidence, cannot thwart the just retribution about to be visited upon him by his thoroughly disgusted constituents

Populists of the 5th congressional district, your congressman has told you to your teeth you are RUFFIANS and the last one of you are going to hell. Go to the polls next Tuesday and vindicate your insulted manhood.

THE LEGISLATIVE RACE.

Blue Ridge, Tex., Oct. 23, '94.
Editor Democrat;

People place little stress up on the race for legislative honors and especially is this true in the race for representatives, who are soon to go to Austin and make laws whereby the people of this the noblest state in the Union, are to be governed. Fellow suffragists, more depends upon this race than you think, and we have been paying close attention to the campaign now being made by the candidates.

Mr. Gough seems to be the Grand Mogul and bell sheep of the flock here. Now, he is a gentleman in every sense of the word; but it is quite amusing to hear him in one of his efforts at public discussions. In every speech he ignores the issues or champions them in a half hearted way.

Take his position on the "free coinage" issue. He takes delight in throwing his hands heavenward as if reaching for stars to throw at his adversary while his thundering tones give utterance to argument used by gold bugs to show that the circulating medium is sufficient. He says there is more money now in the United States than there ever was before and that there is a congestion of money in the east. This money is easily obtainable at 2 per cent, while there is a great scarcity of money in the south with interest at nearly any per cent above twelve. We wonder why it was that gold was coined last spring and could not be obtained without buying it at a premium, or why banks refused to cash the checks of their depositors, or why congress refused to investigate the banks of New York although the democrats had that "chance" they have talked about for twenty years. Mr. Gough does not answer these things nor does he pretend to show how nor why the bankers of the world have the money under their complete control and that because of its scarcity. After giving all this talk about a sufficiency in the volume of the currency Mr. Gough rises grandly until he is standing upon the very tips of his toes and cries in a loud voice "I am in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver." Well, Mr. Gough, we are glad you told us for we can not tell it by your speeches and we are led to believe that our populist vagaries are completely eclipsed by your democratic inconsistency.

Mr. Gough attacks the populist congressman with ammunition furnished by our present congressman. He says they were startlingly extravagant; yet he goes not into the merits of any of them. If he did, he would find them all formed upon the idea of an increase of the currency. Populists believe in striving to devise some way to increase the volume of money. Some democrats say they desire such a measure but they cannot muster courage to pass the poor scapegoat of the sins of the silverites, the seignorage bill over the president's veto. They are afraid they will make a record upon some vital measure that will lose them the government pie, the the blessed pie. Not so, the the populists. Measure after measure is introduced looking after the interests of the poor man. They believe this can best be done by increasing the per capita and their whole work will show that this was their honest endeavor. He attacks them for not voting for free silver at the ratio proposed after that of 16 to 1 was defeated where every one knows such a ratio would have been a perfect bonanza for the rich men who hold the silver dollars then in circulation. Such a manipulation as that of the trade dollar would surely have followed and they would have profited by it. Then all the commercial world of America would have been paralyzed until such a measure had adjusted itself. He had better be showing up some of the extravagances of his own party congressman.

Gough says the pension appropriation was decreased $15,000,000. Vice President Stevenson says it was increased $20,000,000. Oh, well! a small difference of opinion like $35,000,000 in the minds of two

GOOD SPIRITS

follow good health while low spirits, melancholia, impaired memory, morose or irritable temper, fear of impending calamity and a thousand and one derangements of body and mind, result from pernicious, solitary practices, often indulged in by the young, through ignorance of their ruinous consequences. Nervous debility, and loss of manly power, not infrequently result from such unnatural habits.

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great men like Gough and Stevenson do not amount to anything. Then giving $5,000 each to the widows of great generals and the president all amount to nothing. I suppose, too, that Mr. Gough has some kind of a job in the Nicaragua canal business for $100,000,000, or he would have squealed on that; you know gentle readers, that it is in the democratic platform. Every time money is to go to great corporations democrats fall over themselves in their eagerness to vote, but when it is to go to the common people they lift their hands in horror and vote against it.

Mr. Gough strikes at a populist pension bill and denounces the populists for their lukewarmness concerning the confederate home. He strives to the best of his ability to arouse that old sectional feeling which has so often rallied the democrats; but they are seeing through the old tocsin and relying upon common sense. No, Mr Gough, a man of your age at the time of war should not be so patriotic. A man who has never been engaged in even a fistic battle for his country and patriotism should not strain his lungs talking about it.

Mr. Gough is really funny and so consistent in talking of the populist farmer: He advises him to talk less and work more and he will have more cotton money. In the next breath he says the over production of cottou is what is ruining the Texas Farmer. Queer, is it not! He finds time to denounce the sub-treasury bill, but never a word has he to throw at the national banking system. He comes to the election bill finally and there he wades in his glory. Glorious consummation! Now the people can vote as they please without any interference from federal authority. Now he says our patriotism can develop and we will yet make a grand nation. This is about all the democrats can boast of—the repeal of the Federal election bill. We have paid four or five hundred millions of dollars for the privilege of voting without interference and now we may be patriotic.

Well, freedom comes pretty high but we presume the man who wears jeans pants and sells 4 4-5 cent cotton will enjoy it.

After soaring around in every direction and striking at everything in his reach he suddenly comes down on that old rotten carcass, the tariff, and there he gloats over the crashing blow protection has received through the enactment of the Wilson bill. We will leave that matter with the democratic press, president and democratic candidate for governor of New York. In state issues he is just as inconsistent. He speaks of our enormous school fund, the heritage of the people and boasts of the way it has been handled. He says he is in favor of extending the scholastic age from 6 to 21; of extending the school term, and of increasing salaries.

Ye Gods! we know teachers who will receive as low as $30 per month and only three or four months at that. One school in the county has less than $100 to run its school for the year. Yet we can pay county officials a good part of this sum for handling it. Besides there is a deficit right now of over half a million dollars from last year and we are told the deficit will will be greater next year. Teachers are now looking forward to the pleasure of waiting for their first month's wages until January and will be compelled to shave their warrants. One teacher, that we know of, has promised a gentleman $30 of his first month's salary for $25. Now $5 for two month's interest. Yet Mr. Gough is going to extend the school term age. So, from your laws that teachers will get cash and more of it for teaching and all will be well. Because the fathers of Texas left $100,000,000 school fund and you could not so control it to pay teachers for their labor, you need not think that class of people will be over zealous in supporting you.

Lastly, Mr. Gough boasts of the 15 cent state tax, but he said nothing of the school deficiency nor of the fun some of the employes had last year while endeavoring to cash their warrants. Of course he did not say that the appropriation would not be over 15 cents for the coming year.

Now, there is Mr. Gough in a nutshell and it takes a large one, too, to cover all his inconsistencies. Believing as we do and knowing what we do of his political party's record, we do not see how he can have the boldness to ask the people of Collin county to re elect him.

A CITIZEN.

Culberson's Duplicity.

Hon. Chas. Culberson said in his Caldwell speech that "Gen. J. B. Weaver, as late as 1885, denounced Cleveland for appointing ex confederate soldiers to his cabinet." The Mercury emphatically denies that Gen. Weaver did anything of the kind, and demands the proof. It is a pitiable sight to see a candidate for governor deliberately repudiate his own platform and sneak on to that of his opponent and when told of his treachery to resort to falsehood.

General Weaver's well known friendship and high regard for all ex soldiers is too well known to all who have read his speeches in and out of congress since 1875 to be in the least tarnished by this upstart demagogue, especially when he resorts to such misrepresentation.

Culberson and everybody else knows that the democratic state convention that nominated him, by an unanimous vote, repudiated the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 and emphatically indorsed Cleveland's financial policy and official acts, and his refusal to stand upon that platform, brands him as a traitor, absolves any democrat from supporting him, and places him in such a compromising position as to preclude any one from placing any confidence whatever in his statements or pledges.

Judge Nugent, being an honest man was compelled, in defending his own platform, to expose the treachery of Culberson, and appeal to the populists to defend their citadel against this "Trojan horse." We had hoped the democrats could find a man who was not ashamed of them while on the stump. We had believed they were contending for principle, but if they don't reclaim this "ass in a lion's skin" or "repudiate him," all the world must conclude that the "time-honored democracy of Texas" has dwindled into a piebald tail to a nondescript's kite.—Southern Mercury.

The Texas democratic platform and the Missouri republican platform are twins on the currency question--Globe Democrat.

"Mr. Speaker, I desire to state here that in my humble judgement the measare which we are now asked to pass [the sen ate tarff bill] is a more obnoxious measure than the McKinley act, which it is designed to supplant"—BOURKE COCHRAN.

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"The passage of this bill means party perfidy and party dishonor."—GROVER CLEVELAND.

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"The bill is five per cent worse than the McKinley Iniquity."—ROGER Q. MILLS.

A. H Caldwell, (col.) republican candidate for state superintendent on the seal brown ticket, made a speech at Calvert, in Robertson county, advocating the candidacy of the democratic nominee, Pendleton, for congress and urged the negroes and republicans to vote for the democratic nominees from county judge to constable.

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On Tuesday, November 6, next, you will be called upon to exercise your privileges at the ballot box. How well will you attend to that duty? Will you allow the political hangers-on, ward heelers and dead beats to continue their work of intimidation and deception? Will you longer listen to a gang whose only object is to gain spoils and further their own individual interests?

We beseech you to break loose from the old political moorings, look to the interest of yourself and fellow beings. The times are out of joint. Labor languishes without reward It cries for help. Will you not answer kindly to the call? Upon the shoulders of Labor rests the progress and happiness of the human race. Will you not vote to lighten the burden? Every populist in Collin county should talk and distribute literature from now until the election and when the election arrives, rise early and go to the polls and work like Trojans for the whole populist ticket until the polls close. See your neighbor populists and urge upon them the the importance of attending the election and cast his vote in favor of reform in government, against fifty cent wheat, five cent cotton, business depression and the general reduction of values. These sad coditions are the result of government extravagance and duplicity. Not withstanding the products of the earth are great, yet men, women and children who labor for these results are suffering for a sufficient amount of clothing and food, when in fact they should be blessed with a surplus to lay up for help in time of sickness or old age. Gentlemen, do not hesitate to WORK! WORK!! WORK!!! Let your voice be heard. No matter if you do live in a community whose politics are contrary to yours. You have a right to political opinion and preference. Dont be intimidated. Gather up your courage. Go to the polls and VOTE for populism.

Shall the party keep faith with the people of Texas? Don't fool them or disappoint them. Let makeshifts alone and courageously announce a clean cut, honest platform! This is my position and advice...J. S. Hogg, before the Dallas Convention.

Before silver was demonetized 35000 bushels of wheat or 320,000 pounds of cotton per year would have paid the salary of the president; to-day he receives the equivalent of 100,000 bushels of wheat or 1,000,000 pounds of cotton. When silver was demonetized in 1893 the democrats had more than 100 majority in the house, a good working majority in the senate and a democratic president. Farmers can you support the perpetrators of such a crime against your wife and babies?

Vote the populist ticket, give them a chance and if they wantonly ignore their solemn promises as has the democratic party bury them in 1896 forever in oblivion.

The depredations of the Cook band of outlaws are terrorizing the people of the Indian Territory.

Dr. E. G. Blair and Miss Ethel Ingalls, eldest daughter of Ex-Senator John J. Ingalls were married at Atchison, Kan. on the 24th ult.

How can we face the people after indulging in such outrageous discriminations and violation of principles?--Grover Cleveland to congressman Wilson regarding the tariff bill.

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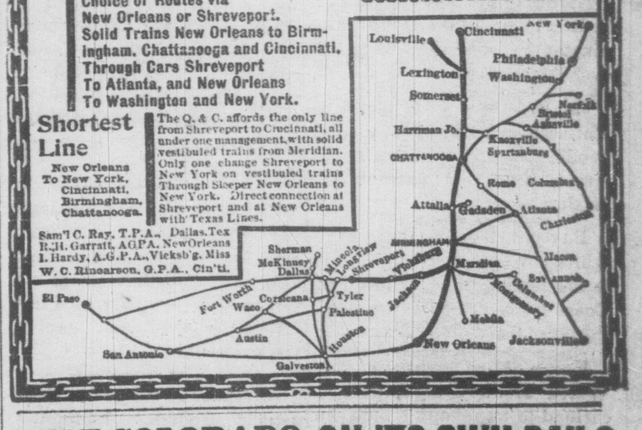

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